Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Allen Smith and Roberta Heiden exchanged their wedding vows on September 15, 1946, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

Whereas, The newlywed couple of 60 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow, and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

Whereas, Allen and Roberta gave life and love to two sons, Glenn and Gail, and have been blessed with four grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Allen and Roberta are lifelong residents of Clark County--Allen was a WWII veteran and farmed 8 miles south of Clark and Roberta taught elementary school; and,

Whereas, Allen is a member of the Clark American Legion Post, Roberta is a member of the Clark American Legion Auxiliary, they are both members of the Clark United Methodist Church and they spend their winters since retirement at Donna, Texas; and,

Whereas, Allen and Roberta will observe their 60th wedding anniversary with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as their friends and relatives gather to honor them on September 2, 2006, to celebrate their lives and the camaraderie of the day:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 15, 2006, as

ALLEN AND ROBERTA SMITH DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fourth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State